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SPOKANE'S MAYOR EMPHASIZES NEED OF THOROUGH-GOING CIVIL SERVICE

The Star-Bulletin Presents No. 2 in Series of Letters From Mainland Mayors and Officials on City Charters—C. M. Fassett Tells of Spokane's Experiences—Particularly Valuable to Honolulu at the Present Time

The Star-Bulletin herewith presents No. 2 in its series of letters from mainland mayors and other city officials on model charter forms. These letters are in answer to an inquiry the Star-Bulletin directed to a number of the cities which have adopted the "short ballot" or commission form of government or the even more advanced city manager plan. The inquiry was made in order to secure first-hand information on the workings of these progressive charters, and to make such information available to the delegates to Honolulu's coming charter revision convention, and to the public at large.

No. 1 in the series was from Mayor H. R. Albee of Portland, Oregon. No. 2 is from Mayor C. M. Fassett of Spokane, Washington.

Mr. Fassett was elected one of Spokane's city commissioners when the commission form of government was first adopted by that city five years ago. He assumed the duties of commissioner of public utilities, and has since been chosen mayor.

Among the mainland mayors from whom letters will soon be published are the executives of Tacoma, Wash., Lynn, Mass., and Indianapolis, Ind.

The Spokane charter provides that the commissioners themselves select one of their own number to act as mayor. The commission form of government has been immensely successful in Spokane, doing away with many abuses which formerly existed, and saving considerable sums for the taxpayers. Mr. Fassett has visited in Honolulu a number of times, and is very fond of this city. He has been president of the Spokane chamber of commerce.

"It is a big problem to formulate a new charter, and it is difficult for one not in touch with local conditions to advise," writes Mr. Fassett to the Star-Bulletin, under date of July 31.

"The problem of any American city is always more or less different from that of any other city—so much depends upon the character of its citizenship. South Bend, for instance, has a 40 per cent colony of Poles; San Antonio has nearly half Mexicans; one city has a big manufacturing section, etc., etc. Your own problem is greatly complicated by your mixed population, and what has worked well here in Spokane, where we are homogeneous, may be the thing to avoid in Honolulu.

"Your charter should be short. Nothing but fundamental should be written into it. Nothing that can be adequately taken care of by legislation should encumber it. Charters frequently tie the hands of the honest official in an attempt to restrain the thief.

"Our attitude must be constructive. That is, we must presume that we will have honest administrators. The Spokane charter contains very few errors, as such documents go, but some of our activities are covered by state laws and they are not, cared for in our charter. We made a mistake in our civil service chapter. I think, if it is applied as in Cleveland, every subordinate official and employee should be included. It saves lots of time and lots of graft.

"I do not know how applicable the commission form is to your town. I have come to believe in the city manager form for continental American cities. I favor a legislative body elected by the people, preferably at large, and the administrative functions in control of an appointed manager, who need not be a resident. He is elected by and responsible to the legislative body only, and he makes all appointments, subject to civil service laws.

"That plan is going over this count."

CAPTAIN MORTON ON MYSTERIOUS TRIP TO ORIENT

Former Commander of Liner Mongolia is on Way to Far East on Secret Mission

Captain Henry E. Morton, former commander of the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia, who is well known in Honolulu, will arrive here Friday on the Tenyo Maru, bound for the Orient on a mysterious secret mission.

It is hazarded that Captain Morton may be on a mission connected with the proposed transfer of several Pacific Mail liners to the proposed Chinese-American shipping syndicate, for it is known that besides standing high with the Pacific Mail authorities, he is exceedingly close to influential Chinese financiers.

Captain Morton formerly was in the British navy. Resigning from the Pacific Mail service two years ago, he became commander of the private yacht of the Duc de Montpensier. The latter is brother of the Duc d'Orleans, pretender to the throne of France and uncle of former King Manuel of Portugal.

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NORTHWEST MAYOR WRITES OF CHARTER



Mayor C. M. Fassett of Spokane

SAYS JAPAN WILL GIVE MARSHALLS OVER TO VICTORS

Residents on Islands Do Not Believe Japanese Naval Base Will Be Built There

Though various incidents occurring in the last few months, tending to substantiate the belief that Japan is planning to make naval bases of the Caroline and Marshall Islands, in the South Pacific, interviews with residents of the islands, who were in Honolulu yesterday as passengers on the Mongolia, do not indicate that such action is likely.

"The Japanese have wireless stations erected at three strategic points on the two groups of islands, and also have the islands practically under military control," was stated by E. Petersen, one of the proprietors of the Jaluit Gesellschaft.

"These stations are for military purposes only," said Mr. Petersen a few minutes before the Mongolia left last evening for San Francisco, "and are

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CLAIM HICKS IS MAN WHO CARVED ISHI SATURDAY

Thomas Hicks, said to have been dishonorably discharged from the 25th Infantry two years ago, was arrested late yesterday charged with threatening to carve two Japanese. That charge was dropped today when another Japanese named Ishi identified Hicks as the man who slashed Ishi's face near the Opera House Saturday night, and a new charge, that of assault with a dangerous weapon, was substituted against the alleged former colored soldier.

After the cutting on Saturday night Ishi was unable to give a description of his assailant. He said he thought it was a Porto Rican. When Captain of Detectives McDuffie arrested Hicks on complaint of two Japanese, he noticed two small blood spots showing on Hicks' undershirt where exposed at the neck, above the outer shirt, which was unbuttoned at the neck. Hicks was then stripped and McDuffie reports that the prisoner's suspenders, trousers and undershirt were blood-stained and a knife was taken off Hicks which also had blood stains on it. Hicks was then taken to a local sanitarium where Ishi is employed and there the Japanese positively identified him as Ishi's assailant.

AMERICAN PERIL MAY FORCE U. S. HAND IN MEXICO

Carranzistas, Bitter at Non-Recognition of Leader, are Banding Against Foreigners

WASHINGTON MAY ORDER MORE TROOPS TO BORDER

Carranza, Following Villa's Example, Declares Against the Pan-American Conference

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 11.—With outrages against foreigners daily increasing in Mexico, the administration may be forced soon to take a vigorous hand in affairs south of the border.

Though battleships have been ordered to Mexican waters, they are there with no purpose of landing troops, according to a statement made today by Secretary of State Lansing to the representatives of Central and South American nations here. Mr. Lansing today told the diplomats that the battleships are only to afford protection to the foreigners now at Vera Cruz, many of whom have fled there from the capital.

Advices to the state department today are that quiet has been restored in Mexico City.

It is probable that soon the United States army posts will be ordered to hold their troops in readiness to strengthen the border forces.

U. S. Consul Garrett at Nuevo Laredo has telegraphed to Washington a request for more troops, declaring that the bitterness of the Mexicans at the non-recognition of Carranza may lead to serious demonstrations against the foreigners.

It is reported that 1000 Carranzistas have entered Texas around Brownsville and are organizing bands to stir Mexican residents to an uprising.

CARRANZA DEFIANT OF PAN-AMERICAN POWERS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 11.—Gen. Carranza, self-styled "First Chief of the Constitutionists," has notified Secretary Lansing, through the Carranza agency here, that he "views with displeasure" the attempt tending to frustrate the success of the Carranza military campaigns. Carranza is warning the diplomats of the Pan-American powers that any external settlement of Mexico's affairs "will not be looked upon with levity."

FIFTY MEXICANS IN FRAY AT BROWNSVILLE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless) BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Aug. 11.—Fifty Mexicans early today engaged in a running fight with American soldiers and civilians near the border, on the American side.

OLLIE JAMES IS CERTAIN SUGAR DUTY NOT NEEDED

Hawaii Can Prosper More Than Mainland With it on Free List, Says Senator

That Hawaii is the only place he ever visited where the people can actually live without working is what Ollie James, senator from Kentucky, who visited Honolulu with the last Congressional party, told the Washington Post upon his arrival in the national capital.

"Everywhere in Hawaii good things to eat grow with little or no cultivation," the senator is quoted as saying. "All the people have to do is to pull the vegetables and fruit and eat."

"Hawaii is exceedingly prosperous, and I am more than ever convinced from what I saw that a tariff on sugar is not needed," the senator continued. "The Hawaiians are getting \$95 a ton for sugar, and in many instances the yield is as much as nine tons to the acre. Under such conditions the Hawaiian farmers, even with free sugar, prosper many times more abundantly than our farmers in Kentucky and other states, and I see no reason why the millions of sugar consumers in this country should be forced to pay a tax that is not in the least needed."

"I shall vote to fortify Honolulu in the strongest possible manner," said the senator, "and I feel sure that all the members of the congressional party take the same view."

NEW COACH FOR MCKINLEY

McKinley high school has gained a first-class track and field coach in Paul MacCaughy, who will look after the black and gold athletes of next season. The new coach is a brother of Prof. Vaughan MacCaughy of the college of Hawaii.

HONOLULU MAN'S PEACE PLAN BROACHED TO MANY NATIONS

Dr. Schurmann Writes to Belligerents and Neutrals; Answers Make Him Confident of Creating Impression; Expects to Be Called to Washington to Discuss Proposal

To be the author of peace plans which are intended to bring about the end of the great European war and which are now under consideration by the president of the United States, the ruler of one other neutral country, and by rulers of some of the belligerent nations, is the unique distinction that has come to a citizen of Honolulu.

Dr. F. H. Schurmann of the Schurmann Institute of Nature Cure and Osteopathy, is the author of the plans, and at the present moment he is expecting daily to receive a call from President Wilson to come to Washington for a further discussion of them. Dr. Schurmann is a native of Essen, Germany. His story reads like a chapter from a book of fiction.

Several weeks previous to the outbreak of the war the doctor suffered an attack of diphtheria, which being considered by attending physicians as a mere sore throat, was not taken in hand for treatment until several days had passed. The doctor was at last obliged to go up to Tantius for a prolonged rest and here on the mountain, a complete cure was thought to have been effected. Accordingly he returned to the city.

"The day I returned to the city," says Dr. Schurmann, "I learned for the first time that Germany had declared war upon Russia. My first thought was to serve the Fatherland, and accordingly I went to the German consul here and offered my services, which were accepted. Plans were already begun for starting to the front when I suffered a sudden stroke of paralysis and was rendered blind and practically unable to move."

It was in this condition of paralysis, brought on presumably by the poison from the diphtheria toxins which were already in his blood, that the doctor found himself at the very moment



Dr. F. H. Schurmann

when he was intending to depart in the service of his country.

The result of the paralytic stroke rendered him absolutely helpless for about eight months, but though his

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THINK LONGLEY HAS PERFECTED SHIPPING DEAL

Belief is That Marketing Superintendent Has Arranged for Handling Pines

If A. T. Longley, superintendent of the Territorial Marketing Division, adhered to a schedule which he outlined before leaving Honolulu recently, he has perfected arrangements with steamship companies, operating vessels between here and the mainland to insure the safe opening of an eastern market for pineapples grown by the small farmers on Oahu.

It was reported at the office of the division today that Mr. Longley will return to Honolulu in the steamer Matsonia August 17. The announcement that Mr. Longley went to Chicago shortly after arriving in San Francisco also was made.

Prior to leaving Honolulu, Mr. Longley told the Star-Bulletin that after opening a branch of the local market in San Francisco he would confer with the various steamship companies with the idea of having them equip their vessels with more ventilators so that a larger number of crates of fresh pineapples could be shipped out of Honolulu in each steamer.

If he completed these arrangements, he said, he would go to Chicago and open a market for the pineapples grown by the small farmers on this island not contracted for at the canneries.

The information that Mr. Longley has been to Chicago tends to the belief that the transportation arrangements have been made and that the market has been created.

While in Chicago, Mr. Longley intended to confer with a large packing concern that recently informed the local division that, if the fruit could be grown, it would purchase from local small farmers in 1916 from \$50,000 to \$100,000 worth of roselle. The roselle, which is a native of Mexico, may be made into an excellent jam or jelly. It is being cultivated to some extent on Maui.

MAKE TRIP ALMOST TO KANEHOE FOR REFUGEE; SUSPECT IS WRONG MAN

A telephone call from a Chinese resident near a village between the Pali and Kaneohe notified Captain of Detectives McDuffie about 11 o'clock last night that a Korean answering the description of Yee Yo Keuk, escaped "bad man," was at that place.

McDuffie, reinforced by several of his staff, hurried over the Pali in the police automobile last night and after scouting around the hills they came upon the man reported to be Keuk.

"This man answered the description of Keuk to a 'T' but it was not the wanted Korean," said McDuffie, "so we returned to town."

INDICTMENTS IN EASTLAND CASE HOLD OFFICIALS

Captain, Engineer and Others Charged With Criminal Carelessness

(Associated Press by Fed. Wireless) CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 11.—Captain Pederson, Engineer Ericson and four officers and the owner of the company which operated the steamer Eastland were indicted today for manslaughter. The charges against them are of criminal carelessness and responsibility for the sinking of the big excursion steamer and the loss of more than 1300 lives.

The indictments charge that they knew the vessel was unseaworthy, that they permitted her to be overloaded, that the engineer was incompetent, the crew insufficient, and the water ballast tanks empty, allowing the vessel to list when she began to move out from the dock.

Salvagers are still unable to lift the Eastland from the Chicago river. As fast as the water is pumped out of her hull it flows back in.

JAPANESE SAID IN DANGER FROM DYNAMITE PLOT

BELLINGHAM, Wash., Aug. 11.—Joe Burke and Frank McLain were arrested today for complicity in an alleged plot to dynamite the bunkhouse of Japanese cannery workers at Blaine. Thirteen sticks of dynamite with fuses attached were found near the bunkhouse. The affair grows out of trouble between Japanese salmon cannery hands and other fishermen and cannerymen, the Caucasians endeavoring to drive out the Japanese.

HAYTI REBEL IS KILLED TRYING TO STORM TOWN

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 11.—Gen. Auguste, leader of a new Haytian rebellion, today attacked St. Marc at the head of 200 men. The Haytian committee of safety, which is in charge of the military operations, sent a force to meet Auguste and he and four of his followers were killed, the others taking to flight.

ALLIES LAND 50,000 TROOPS AT DARDANELLES BUT TURKS SAY CANNOT HOLD TRENCHES

ENVER PASHA IS CONFIDENT

TEUTONS CONTINUE PROGRESS AGAINST RUSSIANS EAST OF NOVOGEORGIEVSK—SAY FORTRESS OF BENJAMINOW HAS FALLEN—AMERICAN TANK STEAMER TAKEN INTO BRITISH PORT—SUBMARINES SINK MORE VESSELS

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless) CONSTANTINOPLE, Turkey, Aug. 11.—Enver Pasha, the Turkish military leader, declares that according to his information the Allies in their latest operations have landed 50,000 troops at the Dardanelles.

The troops are to reinforce the soldiers who already have gained a strong footing on the Gallipoli peninsula and are moving down it to cut off the Turkish defenders and get at the forts along the Dardanelles straits.

Enver Pasha says that the losses of the Allies have been great and he is confident the Turks will be able to cope with the new offensive.

Berlin Claims Capture of Strong Fortress Guarding Novogeorgievsk

BERLIN, Germany, Aug. 11.—Official.—The strong Russian fortress of Benjaminow, east of Novogeorgievsk and one of the principal outer defenses of this important point, has been taken by the German forces.

Many Steamers Sunk; One Makes Way to Beach After Torpedoing

LONDON, England, Aug. 11.—The British steamer Oakwood, seven trawling ships, the Norwegian bark Morna, and the Russian bark Baltzer have been sunk by German submarines operating in the war zone.

The steamer Rosalie Shields was attacked by a submarine and torpedoed but made a run to shore and was beached in time.

The crews of all the submarine victims are reported saved.

American Oil-tanker Petrolite Is Taken Into a British Port

LONDON, England, Aug. 11.—The American oil-tanker ship Petrolite has been taken into a British port.

Britain Set Prisoners at Work Making Munitions to Fill Needs

LONDON.—All the jails and prisons in Great Britain have been turned into manufacturing of war material since the outbreak of hostilities. The ordinary prison work has been suspended wherever possible and both male and female prisoners have been given employment on war work. Their interest in the work has been so great, according to a statement from the home office, that the output has been more than double that of peace times.

The government declines information as to the exact character of the work being performed, but it is stated that "several millions of useful articles have been made for the front." Special instruction in the new trades has been given by the prison attendants, who in several cases have been detached to receive a course of training for this purpose.

Inmates of boys' reformatories and similar institutions have been allowed to join the army in most cases, the preliminary military instruction having been given on the ground of the institutions. Several hundred reformatory boys have already figured in the casualty lists from the front, and a considerable number of young men from these institutions have received mention in despatches for acts of bravery.

Austrian Landsturm Called Upon

BUDAPEST, Hungary.—All men of the Landsturm up to 50 years of age have now been ordered up for re-examination by the army doctors. In accordance with a new decree, all men will in the future be classified as either fit for military service, fit for guard service, or physically incapable of any kind of work. All those belonging to the first two classes will be enlisted, those who are not judged fit for military service at the front will serve as guards for the prisoners' camps, railway lines and warehouses, relieving those now doing such service for the front.

Some of the men of the younger military classes have thus far undergone six or more medical examinations.

Russian Emperor Returns From Front

PETROGRAD.—The Russian emperor recently returned from army headquarters after a stay of three weeks. No visit of the many which he has made to various sections of the fighting lines has been so important as this one. In the course of the conferences held at field headquarters during this visit the emperor and his advisers decided upon the changes recently made in the highest ranks of the government and in the council of ministers, and also announced that the Duma would be summoned to meet at an early date.

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JAPANESE MINISTER LEAVING MEXICO NOW

(Special Cable to the Nippon Jiji) SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 11.—The railroad between Mexico City and Vera Cruz, which was destroyed by revolutionists some time ago, has been temporarily repaired. Minister Adachi, who received a summons to return to Japan several weeks ago, is making arrangements to leave at once. Mr. Adachi will go by way of Vera Cruz and San Francisco.

ISHI REFUSES OFFER OF PLACE IN CABINET

(Special Cable to the Nippon Jiji) TOKIO, Japan, Aug. 11.—Baron Ishi, Japanese ambassador to France, has refused to accept the position of minister of foreign affairs in Count Okuma's new cabinet, which position Count Okuma himself is filling temporarily. The offer has already been rejected by Baron I. Motono, ambassador to Russia; K. Inouye, ambassador to Great Britain, and by Viscount S. Chinda, ambassador to the United States.